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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS, PROTEINS,  
AND PROCESSES THEREOF  
SUCH AS PROCESSES FOR  
PRODUCTION OF  
SUPERSCRETABLE PEPTIDES  
AND FOR PARALLEL  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE**

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 13, 2002, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. To the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date

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of a first Office Action on the merits for this application. Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no certification is necessary.

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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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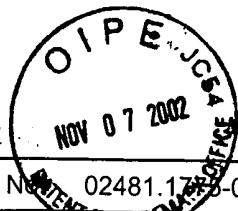


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